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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as indicated hereinbelow.

Amendments to the Claims appear on pages 2 through 7 of this paper, with the applicant's REMARKS commencing on page 8.